

Monday 11th February, “A Ramble with Temptations” with Penny and Paul Kurowski

A beautiful blue sky, sunny Monday morning in mid February saw a group of 17 walkers meet at East Budleigh car park to start their ramble. Leaving East Budleigh heading for Budleigh Salterton we headed up hill by road but soon took a very muddy track, it was necessary to use walking poles to keep our balance through the slippery, sloppy mud! Flowers were opening up in the warm sunshine a welcome show of spring in the air. The track levelled out giving breath taking views across the Otter valley towards the Jurassic coast at Sidmouth.



A gentle walk towards Kersbrook village and down into Budleigh Salterton seafront ready for a break. We were easily tempted by delicious ice cream at ‘A Slice of Lyme!’. We enjoyed our ice creams sitting overlooking the panorama of Lyme Bay.

Continuing along the seafront towards Otter Head we joined the River Otter footpath at the repaired culvert where it had recently reopened to walkers.

A spot of bird watching was enjoyed as we progressed along the path towards White Bridge at South Farm Road. We continued up to Otterton and lunch at the Kings Arms, where it was warm enough in the sun to enjoy lunch outside.

It was then a short link back to East Budleigh along the Bicton Brook, passing the Obelisk which is part of Bicton Park Gardens and down into East Budleigh.

A lovely 6 mile ramble on a perfect early day in spring. Thank you Penny and Paul for a lovely walk and for sharing interesting information as we passed along the route.

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